

REMARKS

Claims 101-106 are pending in this application, after cancellation of the prior claim set and addition of these new claims, all based on the recent interviews. Applicants are presenting a new claim set that has not been amended. The new independent claim 101 is entirely different from the original claim 1.

Claim 101 was formulated after study of the specification by both the Examiner and Applicants' counsel. Applicants do not intend to introduce any new subject matter in these claims.

The subject matter of claims 102-104 is supported by at least claims 3-5 of the original application. Applicants do not intend to introduce any new subject matter in these claims.

The subject matter of claims 105-106 is similar to the subject matter of previously examined claims 97-98. Applicants do not intend to introduce any new subject matter in these claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and thereby solicit acceptance of the claims as now stated.

Applicants would welcome an interview, if the Examiner is so inclined. The undersigned can ordinarily be reached at his office at (650) 712-0340 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. PST, Monday through Friday, and can be reached at his cell phone at (415) 902-6112 most other times.

Fee Authorization. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge underpayment of any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0869 (BLFR 1003-1).

Respectfully submitted,

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